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LOCAL EXCHANGE TARIFF**

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2. REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.5 Establishment and Furnishing of Service (Cont'd)

2.5.12 Equipment and Facilities – Provision and Ownership

1. All equipment necessary for the provision of a given service will be furnished and owned by the Company except as provided elsewhere in this Tariff. This subscriber may be required to provide suitable housing or other protective measure where equipment is to be installed in location exposed to weather or other hazards. The Subscriber will furnish commercial power on his premises in suitable outlets when required.
2. Except as provided by the FCC, no equipment, apparatus, circuit or device not furnished by the Company shall be attached to or connected with the facilities furnished by the company; whether physically, by induction, acoustically or otherwise; except as provided in this Tariff or otherwise authorized in writing by the Company or authorized by FCC regulation. In case any such unauthorized attachment or connection is made, the Company shall have the right to remove or disconnect the same or to terminate the service. Subscribers connecting customer owned terminal equipment, must notify the company and supply FCC administration number.

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2. REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.5 Establishment and Furnishing of Service (Cont'd)

2.5.12 Equipment and Facilities – Provision and Ownership (Cont'd)

3. The provisions of the preceding shall not be construed or applied to bar subscriber from using devices which service his convenience in this use of the facilities of the Company provided any such device so used does not:
 - a. Endanger the safety of Company employees or the public;
 - b. Damage, require change in or alteration of, or involve direct electrical connection to, the equipment or other facilities of the Company, unless as provided for elsewhere in this Tariff;
 - c. Interfere with the proper functioning of such equipment or facilities;
 - d. Impair the operation of the communication system;
 - e. Otherwise injure the public in its use of the Company's services.
4. Devices provided by the subscriber to obtain quietness or privacy may be used in conjunction with the telephone instrument furnished to the subscriber by the Company provided that:
 - a. Such device does not involve direct electrical connection to the equipment of the Company, any change in or alteration of such equipment;
 - b. Such device does not interfere with its proper functioning or damage it in any way.

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2. REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.5 Establishment and Furnishing of Service (Cont'd)

2.5.12 Equipment and Facilities – Provision and Ownership (Cont'd)

5. Facilities of an electric power company or oil, oil products or natural gas pipe line company, or railroad company, that are not used for resale, provided primarily to communicate with point located along a right-of-way (including premises of such company anywhere in cities, towns or villages along the right-of-way) owned or controlled by such company and extending between or beyond exchange areas of the Company, may be connected with Private Branch Exchange instrument, or private line facilities furnished by the Company subject to the conditions stated in this Tariff.

2.5.13 Maintenance and Repairs

1. All ordinary expenses of maintenance and repairs of regulated facilities, unless otherwise specified in this Tariff, are borne by the Company on Company provided leased equipment.
2. In case of damage, loss, theft, or destruction of any of the Company's property due to the negligence or willful act of the subscriber or other persons authorized to use the service, and not due to ordinary wear and tear or causes beyond the control of the subscriber, the subscriber shall be required to pay the expense incurred by the Company in connection with the replacement of the property damaged, lost, stolen, or destroyed, or the expense incurred in restoring it to its original conditions.

2.5.14 Company Facilities at Hazardous or Inaccessible Locations

1. Where service is to be established at a location that would involve undue hazards, or where accessibility is impracticable, to employees of the Company, the subscriber may be required to install and maintain the Company's equipment and facilities in a manner satisfactory to the Company.

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2. REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.5 Establishment and Furnishing of Service (Cont'd)

2.5.14 Company Facilities at Hazardous or Inaccessible Locations (cont'd)

2. Where service is to be established at a location that would involve undue hazards, or where accessibility is impracticable, to employees of the Company, the subscriber may be required to install and maintain the Company's equipment and facilities in a manner satisfactory to the Company.
3. All customer-provided equipment and facilities must be constructed and maintained in a manner satisfactory to the Company and must be in compliance with all the regulations set out in this Tariff for the connection of customer-provided terminal equipment and communications systems. Failure of the customer to comply with these regulations will result in the disconnection of the service.

2.5.15 Work Performed Outside Regular Working Hours

The rates and charges specified in this Tariff contemplate that all work in connection with furnishing or rearranging service be performed during regular working hours. Whenever a subscriber requests that work necessarily required in the furnishing or rearranging of his service be performed outside the Company's regular working hours or that work once begun be interrupted, so that the Company incurs costs that would not otherwise have been incurred, the subscriber may be required to pay, in addition to the other rates and charges specified in this Tariff, the amount of additional costs incurred by the Company as a result of the subscriber's special requirements.

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2. REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.5 Establishment and Furnishing of Service (Cont'd)

2.5.16 Access to Subscriber Premise for Inspections

The company reserves the right to access of the subscriber's premise and property to either inspect its facilities when the Company suspects that the subscriber is not using his/her facilities as prescribed by this Tariff.

Should the subscriber refuse the Company its right to access after the Company has made reasonable efforts to arrange for a convenient time with the subscriber, the Company can at its sole option, disconnect the service of the subscriber.

There upon, the subscriber permits the Company to make its inspection after disconnection of service, and the facilities are found to be in conformance with the rules and regulations of this Tariff, the subscriber's service will be immediately reconnected.

2.5.17 Telephone Numbers

1. The subscriber has no property rights to the telephone number or any right to continuance of service through any particular central office.
2. The Company reserves the right to change the subscribers' telephone number or the central office associated with such number, or both, as may be required for the proper conduct of its business.

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2. REGULATIONS (Cont'd)

2.8 Kentucky Lifeline Surcharge

On November 16, 1998 (PSC Case 360) the Kentucky Public Service Commission found that a surcharge of \$0.05 (five cents) per month per access line on all ILEC, CLEC and wireless bills should be applied. The surcharge is effective January 1, 1999 and is identified on the monthly bill as "Kentucky Lifeline Surcharge"

Surcharge per access per month \$0.05

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5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)

5.4 Lifeline

5.4.1 Description of Service

1. The Lifeline program is designed to increase the availability of telecommunications services to low income subscribers by providing a credit to monthly recurring local service for qualifying residential subscribers. Basic terms and conditions are in compliance with the FCC's Order on Universal Service in CC Docket 97-157, which adopts the Federal-State joint Board recommendation in CC Docket 96-45, which complies with the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Specific terms and conditions are as prescribed by the Kentucky Public Service Commission and are as set forth in this tariff.
2. Lifeline is supported by the Federal Universal Service Fund (USF) support mechanism and the state portion by a surcharge on access lines.
3. Federal baseline support is available for each Lifeline service and is passed through to the subscriber. In addition state support is available for each Lifeline service and is passed through to the subscriber.
4. The total amount of the eligible credit will not exceed the sum of the state and federal subscriber support or the charge for local service, which includes the access line, the Subscriber Line Charge and local usage.

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5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)

5.4 Lifeline (Cont'd)

5.4.2 Regulations

1. Customers eligible under the Lifeline program are also eligible for connection assistance under the Link-Up program.
2. One low- income credit is available per household and is applicable to the primary residential connection only.
3. A Lifeline customer may subscribe to any local service offering available to other residence customers.
4. CCR options with Full Toll blocking, if elected, will be provided (T) at no charge to the Lifeline subscriber.
5. The deposit requirement is not applicable to a Lifeline customer who subscribes to full toll blocking. If a Lifeline customer removes full toll blocking prior to establishing an acceptable credit history, a deposit may be required. When applicable, advance payments will not exceed the connection and local service charges for one month.
6. The federal primary inter-exchange carrier charge (PICC) will not be billed to Lifeline customers who subscribe to full toll blocking and do not pre-subscribe to a long distance carrier(s).

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5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)

5.4 Lifeline (Cont'd)

5.4.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

7. A Lifeline subscriber's local service will not be disconnected for non-payment of regulated toll charges. Local service may be denied for non-payment of local and miscellaneous service in accordance with Section 2 of this Tariff. Access to toll service may be denied for non-payment of regulated tolls. A Lifeline subscriber's request for reconnection of local service will not be denied if the service was previously denied for non-payment of toll charges.
8. Lifeline is not available for resale.

5.4.3 Eligibility

To be eligible for a Lifeline credit, a customer must be a current recipient of any one of the following low-income assistance programs.

1. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
2. Food Stamps
3. Medicaid
4. Federal public housing/Section 8
5. Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

All applications for service are subject to verification with the state agency responsible for administration of the qualifying program.

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5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)

5.4 Lifeline (Cont'd)

5.4.4 Certification

1. Proof of eligibility in any of the qualifying low-income programs should be provided to the company at the time of application for service. The Lifeline credit will not be established until the Company has received proof of eligibility. If the customer requests installation prior to the company's receipt of proof of eligibility, the requested service will be provided without the Lifeline credit. When eligibility documentation is provided subsequent to installation, the Lifeline credit will be provided on a going forward basis.
2. Proof of eligibility shall be in the form of an affidavit, certifying under penalty of perjury, that the subscriber is receiving benefits under one of the qualifying programs. It is the customer's responsibility to notify the company when the customer is no longer participating in any of the qualifying programs.
3. The company reserves the right to periodically audit its records, working in conjunction with the appropriate state agencies, for the purpose of determining continuing eligibility. Information obtained during such audit will be treated as confidential information to the extent required under State and Federal law. The use or disclosure of information concerning enrollees will be limited to purposes directly connected with the administration of the Lifeline plan.
4. When a customer is determined to be ineligible as a result of an audit, the company will contact the customer. If the customer cannot provide eligibility documentation, the Lifeline credit will be discontinued.

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5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)

5.4 Lifeline (Cont'd)

5.4.5 Application of Rates and Charges

1. Lifeline is provided as a monthly credit on the eligible residential subscriber's access line bill for local service.
2. Service charges may be applicable for installing or changing Lifeline service.
3. Link-Up connection assistance in Section 3.4 may be available for installing or relocating Lifeline service.
4. Service charges do not apply for converting existing service to Lifeline.

5.4.6 Credit Amount

The Lifeline credit passed through to the customer consists of:
Credit, one per Lifeline, limited to the total amount of charges.

		Monthly Credit (per Lifeline)	
(a)	Supplemental Security Income	\$12.00	(I)
(b)	Food Stamps	\$12.00	
(c)	Medicaid	\$12.00	
(d)	Federal public housing, Section 8	\$12.00	
(e)	Low Income Home Energy Assistance Plan (LIHEAP)	\$12.00	(I)

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